

DORIE MILLER

Dorie Miller Gets Navy Medal! NOW LET'S END ALL JIM CROW

President Roosevelt yesterday awarded the Navy Cross to Dorie Miller, heroic Negro Navy mess attendant, first class, for conspicuous bravery under fire during the treacherous Japanese attack on Pearl Harbor on Dec. 7.

The young Negro sailor, 22 years of age, is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Conery Miller of Waco, Texas. Mr. and Mrs. Miller are sharecroppers.

Miller's feat of courage drew national attention and praise when the Navy Department com-

mented upon the bravery of an "unnamed" Negro sailor immediately following the Japanese assault upon the Pacific naval base.

The first reports of the incident from the Navy Department stated that an unnamed Negro, while under heavy enemy fire while beside the captain of his ship in Pearl Harbor, had carried the captain off the bridge to safety after the latter had been mortally wounded—and returned to operate a machine gun against attacking Japanese planes

until his ammunition was exhausted.

It was Congressman Vito Marcantonio, New York Laborite, who took interest in the case of the "unnamed" hero and who finally succeeded in revealing Dorie Miller's identity for the first time.

The original mention of the case by the Navy came through a ship commander from Pearl Harbor who reported:

"A Negro mess attendant who never before

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CHINESE PURSUE FOE INTO BURMA

First Photos of Red Army's Spring Divisions As They Go to Front Armed With Newest Weapons



First photos of the thousands of reserve troops which have been training in the Soviet Union during the winter and are now moving into the front lines against Hitler's battered armies. At the extreme left, trench mortar crews pass in review before entraining for the front. The wheel showing on these machines indicates that it is a new type. Center, an automatic rifle corps of reservists on the march. Right, special anti-tank troops carrying the famous Soviet anti-tank rifle, some of whom are already in action, pass in review at the conclusion of their training. These anti-tank rifles can knock a tank out of action with one shot.

Kill 4,500 Japanese; Big Battle Now Raging

U. S. Subs Sink Enemy Destroyer, 2 Ships in Far East

CHUNGKING, May 11 (UP).—China's Yunnan Province army has pursued the shattered remnant of a Japanese mechanized column for 24 miles back along the Burma Road and has reached the Burma border, where it is locked in heavy battle with Japanese reinforcements rushing east from the road terminus of Lashio, it was announced tonight.

The last of the Japanese who charged out of Burma into Yunnan on May 4, to be all but destroyed in a battle at Chafang that cost them 4,500 dead, have evacuated Wundwin, on the Chinese side of the border because of the failure of reinforcements from Lashio to arrive on time, a military spokesman said.

Unless the Japanese reinforcements make an unexpectedly strong stand at the border, the Chinese are expected to drive on to Lashio, 68 miles down the road.

RIP JAPANESE REAR

Meanwhile, in the most confused phase of the whole Burma war, Lashio was threatened from behind by a Chinese force which recaptured ruined Mandalay and Mawmya, 30 miles east of Mandalay, during the week-end. This force was reported moving east toward Lashio, 100 miles away.

Other Chinese troops, still holding out in the area south of Lashio and Mandalay, were reported to have repelled three Japanese attacks on Kongkum on the Salween River in eastern Burma between May 5 and 8, killing 200 of the enemy.

A British communiqué from New Delhi said that British Blenheim bombers raided Japanese-held Mawmya on the Irrawaddy in western Burma for the second straight day, hitting runways and damaging a Japanese fighter that tried to intercept them.

The Japanese, stringing out their communication lines from end to end of Burma, captured Myittha, 185 miles north of Lashio, last Friday, it was announced today. They also sent aerial advance guards fanning out from west Burma into India, to bomb the port of Chittagong and Imphal, 230 miles north-east of Chittagong and 40 miles inside India.

U. S. Sub Sink Japanese Destroyer

WASHINGTON, May 11 (UP).—American submarines have sunk a Japanese destroyer and two more cargo ships in another hard-hitting thrust against the enemy's supply lines in the Far East, the Navy announced today.

The sinkings were apart from the successes chalked up by American forces in the Battle of Coral Sea, occurring in an entirely separate war theater. But they were further evidence of American striking power in the Pacific where the Japanese have lost 181 ships—sunk or damaged—to U. S. Naval forces alone.

Combined U. S. Army and Navy forces now have sunk or damaged

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Citrine Visit Spurs Unity of Allied Labor

By Louis F. Budenz

When Sir Walter Citrine, general secretary of the British Trades Union Congress, stepped off a Pan-American Airways Clipper at LaGuardia Field, Sunday, his visit was one warmly welcomed by all sections of American labor.

Only a few days before his arrival, the Pennsylvania state bodies of both CIO and AFL had unanimously adopted resolutions for closer relations between the American, British and Soviet trade unions. It is to advance such relations that Citrine has now made his visit to this country.

Immediately upon his arrival, Citrine stated that he had come to America to confer with leading American trade unionists on the formation of a body which would bring about systematic cooperation among American, British and Soviet trade unions. He referred to the successful functioning of the Anglo-Soviet Trade Union Committee, and said that the cooperation which he spoke for is to be continued "not only during the war but during the reconstruction period after the war."

The executive council of the American Federation of Labor will convene tomorrow and Citrine will be a guest at that meeting. It has been hinted in labor circles for some time that the council will have before it for consideration the question of international labor cooperation of the kind to which Citrine referred. There have also been reports that the national CIO is considering a like move.

There have been strong hopes expressed throughout labor circles that the AFL executive council will take measure to align itself with the Anglo-Soviet Trade Union Committee and that the national CIO will do likewise.

Although the British labor leader was met at La Guardia Field only by William Collins, New York representative of the AFL, Citrine indicated that he would confer with CIO leaders as well as those con-

Citrine to Propose Joint Allied Labor Plan to AFL

(Daily Worker, Washington Bureau)

WASHINGTON, May 11.—Sir Walter Citrine, Secretary of the British Trades Union Congress, will present a plan for cooperation between the American, British and Soviet Trade Unions to the AFL Executive Council meeting which starts here on Wednesday, AFL officials revealed today.

An Anglo-Soviet Trade Union Committee has been functioning for some time, and Citrine's plan is expected to envision close ties between this committee and the trade unions of the United States. AFL officials said that they had no advance information of the exact nature of Citrine's proposal.

FDR to Get Garden Rally Plea May 20

Earl Browder's birthday, fifty-first (May 20), will be marked by a great patriotic demonstration at Madison Square Garden which will call upon President Roosevelt to release him immediately from Atlanta penitentiary.

Sponsored by the Citizens' Committee to Free Earl Browder, the rally will be part of a nationwide campaign during Free Browder Week, May 17-23.

"The Garden meeting will be an event long remembered in New York and throughout the country," said a statement by the Citizens' Committee yesterday. "It will be a powerful and patriotic demonstration for unity and justice. It will be a living symbol of how the American people are determined to serve the best interests of their country in this crisis and strike a blow against those forces who serve Mr. Goebbels by labor-baiting, by sowing suspicion and discord as between nations, between races, between classes and between political and religious groups."

"Earl Browder will and must be freed. It should never be said that America condemns men to four years imprisonment on a charge of

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Nazis Attack Soviet Positions at Kerch

Red Army Pushes on in Karelia; 600 Germans Killed in Local Clashes

LONDON, Tuesday, May 12 (UP).—German troops attacked on the Kerch peninsula of Crimea, the eastern end of which lies but four miles from the coast of the oil-soaked Caucasus, a Red Army communiqué from Moscow reported today.

"Our troops on the Kerch Peninsula fought stubborn battles Monday against German troops who began attacks," the Soviet High Command announced in its second recent departure from its recent communiques reporting "nothing noteworthy occurred on the front."

The broadcast communiqué said 28 German planes were destroyed Sunday and 12 Soviet planes lost. Earlier Soviet reports said activity among German troops massed close to Leningrad indicated that preparations might be going on for a new assault on the city that has stood fast through eight months of siege.

Winter weather was reported to have returned to the Northern Front, tying up major troop movements as the Soviet and German armies jockeyed for positions from which to begin the summer campaign. Snow and rain slowed down the sporadic battles along several hundred miles of the front.

GAIN IN KARELIA
In one sector of the Kalinin Front the Germans attempted to penetrate the Soviet lines, but were repulsed by the counter-blow of Soviet infantry and artillery which killed more than 400 enemy troops, a communiqué reported. "The Moscow Radio reported that

Poison Gas--Breath Of Hitler Fascism

By Sender Garlin

Poison gas—this is the breath of German fascism. The use of this weapon is the lowest and most barbaric form of mass murder.

Months ago the Soviet Union informed the world that the Axis would bring the horrible weapon of poison gas out of its arsenal. Now Tass, official Soviet news agency, has informed the British government that the Nazis had fired a number of shells containing poison gas. This gas paralyzes the breathing of men subject to it.

From London comes further news that the Nazis are shipping trainloads of mustard gas for use against the Russians, and that large concrete gas reservoirs had been built near the Eastern front.

The news from abroad makes clear that every moment of delay in crushing Hitlerism adds to our own peril.

The use of poison gas is in keeping with the barbarism of the Hitlerite regime.

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Nazis Build Gas 'Reservoirs' on Soviet Front

Shipments Have
Been Noticed
Since Feb.

PLAN ATTACK

LONDON, May 11 (UP).—Specific reports that Germany has hauled large stores of poison gas to the Soviet Front and is building gas shelters throughout the Reich inspired Prime Minister Churchill's Sunday night warning, diplomatic quarters said today.

Churchill's speech, reviving a dread that has lurked in the back of British minds since the war started, brought out new crops of gas masks into the London streets today.

The following reports of Germany's gas preparations against the Soviet Union were revealed:

1. Early in February large German shipments of carboys filled with mustard gas passed through one district that serves a section of the Eastern Front. These shipments were followed at the middle of the month by more trainloads of mustard gas, all under heavy guard.
2. From Feb. 1 to mid-March frequent shipments of large earthenware and glass containers of gas moved toward the east. There also were shipments of large crates of gas ammunition of various caliber. Some of these crates were marked "not to be opened except by special order."
3. Large concrete gas reservoirs have been constructed in an area handy to the Eastern Front.
4. A six-barreled gun called a "do-kanon" which throws grenades and shells loaded with liquid gas of terrible corrosive effect reportedly has been perfected.
5. Glass spheres filled with gas are intended for attacks by planes. The gas reportedly disperses over a wide area when the container crashes from a great height.
6. Instructions were issued to German officials in eastern Europe to keep their masks handy at all times, and in the Reich gas shelters are under construction even in villages.

Hit 101 Axis Planes Over Malta in 3 Days

RAF Raids Towns Along English Channel in Heavy Fog

VALLETTA, Malta, May 11 (UP).—Malta's defenders, newly reinforced by "many" Spitfire fighters, have shot down or damaged 101 German and Italian raiders in the past 72 hours of aerial siege and a new big air attack is under way this evening.

The three-day toll now stands at 31 enemy planes destroyed, 29 probably destroyed and 41 damaged. The newly arrived Spitfires, backed up by the greatest concentration of anti-aircraft batteries on earth, is said by officials to have given the RAF a parity with the enemy over this Mediterranean island fortress, and with enemy losses mounting above a 30-a-day average, the RAF stands in position to gain the offensive from the raiders operating from Sicilian bases, 60 miles from here.

RAF Raids French Channel Towns

LONDON, May 11 (UP).—Spitfire patrols of the Royal Air Force flew through fog and mist today to maintain unflagging attacks on targets in occupied France. Weather prevented the long range attacks that have characterized the spring aerial offensive against Germany.

Average Rookie Has \$5,000 Life Insurance

The average Army private has \$5,000 in life insurance. Mothers are the most numerous beneficiaries. There have been more than 2,500,000 applications for National Service Life Insurance by men in the Army, Navy, Marine Corps and Coast Guard since Oct. 8, 1940.



They Had Enough: A group of German soldiers somewhere on the Eastern Front. Strained about the battered trench are the bodies of Nazis killed in the action.

U-Boats Sink 2 More Ships Off East Coast

Florida Waterfront Residents Watch Ship Torpedoed

WASHINGTON, May 11 (UP).—Two medium-sized United States merchant vessels have been torpedoed off the Atlantic Coast, the Navy announced today. Survivors have been landed at East Coast ports.

23 Survivors Land On Canadian Coast

AN EASTERN CANADIAN PORT, May 11 (UP).—Twenty-three survivors of a recent ship sinking off the Canadian coast were receiving treatment here today. Several were suffering from scalds.

Of the total crew, nine are believed to have perished.

Sub Lies in Wait

PALM BEACH, Fla., May 11 (UP).—An Axis submarine, lying in wait 300 yards off the lower Atlantic coast, torpedoed a medium-sized British merchantman in daylight in sight of several hundred spectators who saw the rescue of the vessel's crew from the beach.

The Ukraine Teaches the Nazis Some Laws of War

Poison Gas--Breath Of Hitler Fascism

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Nor will this murderous weapon be used against the Russian people alone. The populations of Britain, America and the rest of the United Nations are next in line if the Nazis are not crushed in 1942.

The Axis crowd is no novice in this game of death. It has used poison gas against the Ethiopians and deadly bubonic germs against the Chinese people.

The Soviet Commissar of Foreign Affairs, V. M. Molotov, has presented to the world the record of unspeakable Nazi atrocities in the Soviet Union. This will be duplicated in Britain and the United States if Hitler has his way.

The criminals capable of such deeds must not be allowed to roam the world.

The Nazi program is aimed not only at the destruction of individual nations and their national cultures, but at the destruction of civilization itself.

This new evidence of Nazi rapacity will—and must—engender a more intense spirit of hatred against the Hitlerites and their agents throughout the world. In our own country it must express itself in a determination to end the last vestiges of tolerance toward the defeatists and Fifth Columnists whose own type of poison gas is intended to obscure what Hitler has in store for all mankind. This hatred in America can express itself in ever increasing production.

It should also serve to remind us of the valor of the Russian people who have suffered the brunt of the Nazi blow. When Lord Marley makes public the fact that the British people have contributed ten times as much to Russian War Relief as the Americans, it is time to increase our own efforts on behalf of our valiant Russian ally. In joining the executive committee of the Russian War Relief, William Green, Philip Murray, and A. F. Whitney of the Railroad Brotherhoods emphasize that support for this organization is a prime obligation of American labor.

The Nazi plans for mass murder to whole populations can be stopped in only one way—and that is by ACTION in 1942. The American people, sensing in the new Hitlerite schemes the ultimate meaning of Nazi aggression, must give their very last bit of energy to the war drive—so that mankind will be spared the fate Hitler has in store for it.

Either we put an end to the Nazi scourge—or the Hitlerites will put an end to civilization!

Artists, Labor Join In Consumer Program

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Paris Radio Blown Up By French Patriots

VICHY, May 11 (UP).—Saboteurs struck twice in occupied France today, silencing Radio Paris, principal radio outlet for German propaganda, by dynamiting its aerial masts at Bourges, 130 miles south of Paris, and derailing a freight train near Parthenay, 180 miles southwest.

Destruction of the Radio Paris transmitting facilities was so thor-

ough that it is expected to be silent on its normal wave length for many weeks, although it may resume broadcasts earlier on another channel.

Aerials for the colonial radio and other long-distance transmitters in the Bourges area were unharmed.

The freight train was derailed by the explosion of a mine beneath the rails.

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2nd Front!

The Time Is Now, Says Buffalo CIO

Five Shops Here Call for Immediate Opening of Western Front

BUFFALO, May 11.—"Military experts agree that with the Soviet armies holding nine-tenths of Hitler's forces in the East, this is the moment for an invasion of Europe that will be lost if Hitler breaks through the Russian lines to the oil of Baku, Iran and Iraq," the Buffalo union leader declared in a recent issue.

The Buffalo Leader is a trade union journal endorsed by the Greater Buffalo Industrial Union Council.

The union paper made its call for a Western Front in its April 30 edition devoted to May Day.

The Buffalo Union Leader quoted the AFL Building Trades Union Press as declaring:

"Opponents of a Western Front not only want to pass up the best chance we have of striking against the Nazis . . . but they want to give Hitler a breathing spell."

The CIO paper wound up its second front appeal by stating:

"And in support of a contention that a Hitler victory may doom the United Nations' cause, let us remember words of General Douglas MacArthur that 'the hopes of humanity rest on the banners of the courageous Soviet Army.'"

Five Shops Here Ask Western Front

Employers and workers in four New York wholesale shops jointly petitioned for the opening of a western front this week in a telegram addressed to President Roosevelt.

All four shops are under contract to Local 65, United Wholesale and Warehouse Workers Union, CIO. They are the Bertram Levy Co., R. M. R. S. R. and B. Billow firms.

The telegram declared that the "best defense is strong offensive . . . urge you use all power at your command in creating a gigantic offensive on Western Front now, which together with Soviet Union on Eastern Front, will crush Hitler and guarantee victory in 1942."

Workers in the Darfard Hat Co., 719 Broadway, yesterday passed a resolution urging a Western Front against Hitler as "the front door to an early victory."

The Darfard employees are members of Local 3, United Cap and Millinery Workers International Union, AFL.

Report Asama Volcano Near Tokio Erupting

LONDON, May 11 (UP).—German dispatches from Japan reported today that there had been a violent and possibly disastrous eruption of Asama volcano, 85 miles northwest of Tokio.

Guerrillas in China Strike Major Blows

Writer Tells How Lightning Movements Are Harassing and Checking Foe

By Robert P. Martin

CHUNGKING, May 11.—China's youthful, pistol-carrying guerrillas have struck their first major blows in a campaign with the threefold purpose of wrecking invader communications, boosting the morale of people in the occupied zone and forcing Japan to keep troops in China which she could well use on other fronts.

I traveled with the guerrillas for weeks on my flight from Shanghai in December and even then preparations were under way for the recent simultaneous raids on 13 of the larger occupied cities, including Shanghai, Nanking and Canton.

At 25, many a guerrilla is already a veteran. Their bands are sprinkled with an occasional regular soldier who relishes the chance for a close-quarters crack at the Japanese without having to bother about air and artillery attacks. The guerrillas are mostly armed with Mauser pistols and hand grenades, spinning machine-guns as too unwieldy for their lightning mode of operation.

Since most of them live in the localities where they operate, the guerrillas have an intricate knowledge of every waterway and bypath under Japanese control. The "underground" system of commun-

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In excess of 200 Japanese vessels since Pearl Harbor.

The Navy communiqué did not specify where the new successes occurred, except to say the submarines struck in the Far East. It appeared from identification of the victims, however, that the sortie was directed against Japan's tenuous supply line into the southwest Pacific.

The catch was listed as: "One destroyer," "One naval cargo ship," "One medium sized cargo ship." Announcement of the sinkings followed closely the air-sea triumph of American-Australian forces in last week's gigantic battle of the Coral Sea which cost the Japanese at least 21 ships sunk or damaged, 18 of them warships.

Thousands of Japanese Lost in Sinkings

GEN. MACARTHUR'S HEADQUARTERS, Melbourne, May 11 (UP).—Thousands of Japanese troops bent on invading Australia, may have been lost aboard transports in the Battle of the Coral Sea, in addition to those killed aboard 21 other enemy ships sunk or damaged, semi-official sources said tonight.

Responsible sources said, however, that while the Japanese had suffered a major setback, it still was too early to say whether the Allied victory was conclusive.

Despite the heavy Japanese losses—including two submarines—in the invasion fleet bearing down on Australia, informants said, the routed enemy forces may be reforming and maneuvering for a renewal at any time of the air-sea battle.

Gen. Douglas MacArthur's headquarters announced that for the third straight day United Nations bombers had blasted Japanese positions in the Louisiade Islands southeast of New Guinea and 800 miles off northeastern Australia.



By
a Veteran Commander

(AS OF MAY 10th)

The Battle of the Coral Sea has come to an end. It is quite possible that this was only its first instalment and that the Japanese will come back with greater forces. It happened so in the Straits of Macassar and the Java Sea. However, there is no doubt that this Japanese armada was defeated, although not destroyed. It did not achieve its purpose (a landing either in Australia or in the islands to the east of it) and was turned back and pursued.

All newspaper exaggerations discounted, the Battle of the Coral Sea was a definite Allied success.

The War Department has issued a communiqué relating the details of the bombing raid over Japan on April 18. The fact that the job was done in daylight and at low altitudes again shows the superiority of American equipment and American flying over the enemy. It is to be expected that this raid was only in the nature of an experiment (and a very successful one, at that) and that it will not be the last.

Highly optimistic reports are reaching us from Burma. It appears that the Japanese northern column (on the Burma Road) has been trapped between Chinese troops which have suddenly sprung into action south of Mandalay (these are the troops we expected to evaporate into guerrilla detachments) and Chinese divisions pushing down the road from Yunnan. There seems little doubt that such an entrapment has taken place, but it still seems to us that the Japanese were simply creating a diversion in Yunnan and that their main efforts must be directed against Assam and the road to Sadiya (we might as well remind our readers at this juncture that we have been wrong once in respect to operations in Burma). The cutting of Japanese communication lines in the Mandalay area may only be temporary because the Japanese will certainly strike back hard at this point.

The Japanese claim the capture of Myitkyna, the railroad of the narrow gauge railroad running north from Mandalay to the border of India.

There is no definite news from the southwestern sector of the front where the British are "withdrawing in order." How far—we do not know.

Mr. Churchill's speech gives us an insight into several important military problems.

He confirmed that the Germans had lost on the Eastern Front more men than they had lost on all fronts during the four and one-half years of the first World War. Their losses there were approximately 6,000,000 men, of which 2,500,000 were killed or died of wounds. So that's that, Messrs. Baldwin, Fletcher Frisk, et al.

Mr. Churchill told us that "thousands" of planes and tanks had been sent by Britain and the U. S. to the Red Army. This makes good reading.

Mr. Churchill took very seriously indeed the possibility of the Germans using poison gas on the Soviet Front. There is no doubt that when the German High Command realizes that the situation is desperate, they will use gas. Paradoxically enough, there would be some comfort in this horror.

On the whole, it must be said that Mr. Churchill set a good example (for a lot of people here to follow) of a warm comradely attitude toward our Soviet allies and of an unbiased analysis of the military position of the Soviet Union.

New Soviet Soldiers Rout Nazis in 1st Test

By Janet Weaver

MOSCOW, May 11.—Although winter is over, slushy roads and fields along the whole Soviet-German front limits the possibilities of the Red Army fully to utilize their Spring reserves. But despite such difficulties some of these reserves have already been in action, according to a Red Star report today.

A communiqué from the Western Front described operations of a recently formed Soviet division which captured fortified positions which had been held by the Germans for several months. Repelling all enemy counter-attacks, this division annihilated 1,200 German soldiers and officers in only two days of fighting. In the very first battle the Red Army men of this division proved their superiority over the Germans by occupying several villages and forcing a river where the Germans constructed a second line of defense. During the battle, when the ice on the river broke up, cutting off communications with their rear, the Red Armymen maintained communications and received supplies by means of a basket attached to a cable stretched across the river.

The Soviet press today gave numerous examples of how the Red Armymen are putting into practice Stalin's May Day order, in which he appealed to all the Red Armymen to study military matters, to master and perfect their arms and specialties and thus learn to beat the enemy without missing.

SIDESWIPES



F.D.R. Plan to Face Ambush Today

(Special to the Daily Worker)

WASHINGTON, May 11.—President Roosevelt's 7-point anti-inflation plan is the target of a new Congressional ambush scheduled to be sprung tomorrow by Representative Gore of Tennessee.

Gore, an old line reactionary who has bitterly fought against the Government's efforts to construct defense housing, is demanding compulsory reductions in all pay envelopes over \$20 a week through his plan for "compulsory savings."

Not content with this hatchet cut at the diet and living standards of America's war workers, Gore's "big gun" is his renewed drive to defeat FDR's voluntary

stabilization of wages through collective bargaining. Gore tried unsuccessfully once before to sneak through a "freeze wage" scheme.

Gore and a crowd of disruptive elements in Congress demand once again that labor's wages shall be arbitrarily "frozen" despite the fact that millions of workers have had daily food and other necessities, essential to efficient production, knocked out of reach by a 25 per cent price rise since 1941.

Another aspect to the Gore "wage freezing" attack is seen to be a flank plan to sneak through a Federal sales tax as an alleged "alternative" to the "compulsory savings."

Gore and the business-as-usual reactionaries are ignor-

ing the fact that Labor is voluntarily contributing 10 per cent of its weekly earnings. They ignore the fact that 20,000,000 American workers, who are ready to give everything for victory, face an actual deficiency in vital foods, needed for intensive work in the factories, as a result of "substandard" wages below \$20 a week.

Fundamentally, the Gore drive in Congress is aimed at protecting excess profits at the expense of the war effort and the nation's productive efficiency.

The men who are sponsoring the new "freeze wages" drive are ready to fling a provocation into the ranks of the nation's workers, headlocks of the war drive and in order to wreck the Government's 7-point plan to curb inflation by heavier taxes on

profits plus price control. It is an anti-victory drive.

Whatever improvements Labor has to make in FDR's 7-point plan, these can come only if the President's plan is successfully defended by labor against the new "wage freezing" intrigue of Congressman Gore.

The Congressmen to whom Gore is appealing for help are watching the reactions of the trade unions.

If they do not see a vigorous defense by Labor of the 7-point anti-inflation plan, the reactionaries will attempt to sabotage the price controls of the President. They will launch an over-all attack upon the basic income of the working people regardless of what this will do to harm the war. It is up to Labor to answer the Gore drive by an immediate defense of the 7-point plan.

Cacchione Asks Free Fare to Servicemen

Least City Can Do for Them, He Says; Will Introduce Law in Council

Peter V. Cacchione, Communist Councilman from Brooklyn, will press his fight in the City Council today to grant free rides on city-owned subway and elevated lines to men of the armed services.

He will introduce a local law at the Tuesday Council session making it mandatory for the Board of Transportation to give free transportation to men in uniform of the Army, Navy and Marine Corps.

"The men in the armed forces—who are ready to give their lives in defense of our country—have little enough left over from their meagre pay for recreation and entertainment," said Cacchione. "They should ride the subway free."

He said action of Governor Lehman, at the request of Mayor LaGuardia in vetoing the Johnson Bill to give free rides to servicemen, left only one course open—"action by the Council."

"This is the least we can do for our boys," Councilman Cacchione declared. "The small subsidy involved is not too much to ask of our city for soldiers and sailors who are ready to give their lives in defense of our country."

The original Cacchione measure asking free rides for service men was a resolution calling on the state legislature to adopt the Guila Bill making free transportation mandatory—was permitted to die in committee after the Mayor wrote to the Council stating the plan would be too expensive to the city.

Shurkey, vice-chairman of the Council, said at that time announced he thought the Council should go on record in favor of the free rides nevertheless.

"The City Council has full authority to provide free rides for our boys," said Cacchione. "Section 11 of the City Home Rule Law, adopted by the State Legislature, pursuant power granted it by the new State Constitution, provides that the local legislature (the City Council) has power to legislate with respect to the ownership and operation of city transit facilities."

"Accordingly, I am introducing a local law to amend the administrative code making it mandatory to give our boys free rides."

Also the Army, Navy, Coast Guard, Marine Corps, the Veterans of Foreign Wars and the Chamber of Commerce of the State of New York.

Consumers Urged to Stock Up Coal Needs

Nelson Calls on Users to Cooperate Now on Fuel Rations

WASHINGTON, May 11 (UP).—American consumers today faced an ultimatum from War Production Board Chief Donald M. Nelson to stockpile coal "at once" or face the possibility of rationing of the fuel because of transportation difficulties.

In an open letter to consumers, Nelson said coal dealers needing financial aid may obtain it from the Reconstruction Finance Corporation or through local banks if they purchase coal for shipment from the mines before Aug. 1, 1942.

"Complete cooperation with this program will help the nation avert serious problems," Nelson said. "We must stockpile to the limit. I know I can depend on your help."

He said transportation problems will increase in coming months, but railroads and other transportation facilities have some surplus carrying capacity which should be utilized now to avoid serious transportation dislocations next fall and winter.

At the same time, Defense Transportation Board Secretary E. B. Eastman disclosed that 310,000 tons of bituminous coal must be moved each week for the remainder of the year if a possible shortage in northeastern states is to be averted. New England alone, he said, will need 26,000,000 tons.

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Foreign-Born Rally Behind Victory Drive

Cleveland Conference Greeted by FDR; Delegates Urge Opening 2nd Front

(Special to the Daily Worker)

CLEVELAND, May 11.—A drive to mobilize the 14,000,000 foreign workers behind America's mobilize for victory over the Axis and a stirring call for a second front were the highlights of the sixth national conference just concluded here by the American Committee for the Protection of the Foreign-Born.

"Americans All—Fighters All—For Victory" was the banner under which the conference met. Its proceedings were devoted to considering "the ways in which the foreign born can be encouraged and enabled to increase their contribution to the victory effort."

Delegates hailing from points as far west as Seattle and as far east as New York, from unions, from national organizations and from civil liberty groups were told by Abner Green, committee secretary:

"This conference may justifiably and proudly regard itself as an arm of the government and an instrument through which the government can realize its objective of rallying all Americans for winning the war."

This was the theme, too, of Hugh DeLoach, president of the Washington Commonwealth Federation, who was unanimously and enthusiastically re-elected National Chairman of the Committee for Protection of the Foreign Born. With him will serve five vice-presidents: Pearl Hart of Chicago, State Senator Stanley Nowak of Detroit, Edward Lamb of Toledo, Max Yerigan and Dr. Arthur Upham Pope of New York.

YFBU'S GREETING READ: To President Roosevelt, whose personal greetings were read at the opening session, the conference declared that "we are ready to underwrite with our lives the cause of victory. At the same time it pledged 'to uphold and implement the repeatedly proclaimed Government policy of eliminating unfair employment practices,' and to work also to eliminate all fifth column elements and Axis agents. It urged the government 'to suppress and imprison all, regardless of status, who are disloyal and subversive of our war effort.'"

The conference pledged "to facilitate the development of a second front on the battlefield of Europe" to insure Nazi defeat in 1942; greeted the fighting forces of the United Nations; urged increased appropriations for the Naturalization Service; elimination of red-tape in securing citizenship, abandonment of educational qualifications for aliens over 60 in the U. S. since 1920.

It also supported the defense of Vincent Favorito, imprisoned organizer of the United Furniture Workers in Cleveland; supported Vito Marcantonio's bill HR 1844 for naturalization of Filipinos; urged Attorney General William C. Clegg to remain a citizen of the United States; recommended transfer of jurisdiction over evacuation of aliens from coast areas from the War Department to the Department of Justice with Loyalty Hearing Boards democratically determining cases individually.

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Dressmakers Give \$6,500 To Allied Fund

Local 22 Donation Boosts Union's Aid to \$25,000

An additional contribution of \$6,500 to Allied War Relief fund was announced this week by Dressmakers Union, Local 22, International Ladies Garment Workers Union.

The union has already contributed \$25,000 for Allied War Relief. Organizations among whom the contribution will be divided are the American Red Cross, the United Service Organizations, the Army Emergency Relief Fund, the Navy Relief Society, British War Relief, Russian War Relief, the Jewish Labor Committee.

Representatives of these organizations, it was announced, will be guests at a general membership meeting of Local 22 today at Manhattan Center. Also on the agenda of this meeting, it was asserted, will be the mobilization of the entire labor for participation in the "I Am An American Day" celebration.

Labor was represented by Hugo Ernst, Secretary-Treasurer of AFL Hotel and Restaurant Alliance; Frank Grillo, Secretary-Treasurer, United Rubber Workers and A. E. Stevenson, secretary, Cleveland CIO Council; and by a host of greetings from trade union leaders including Reid Robinson, CIO Vice President and John Green, president of the Shipworkers Union.

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Win-War Candidates Sweep Indiana Poll

Get 15-1 Majority in Gary Democratic Primary Election

(Special to the Daily Worker)

GARY, Ind., May 11.—Win-the-war candidates in the Democratic Congressional primary were given a smashing 15 to 1 victory here by labor and people in all walks of life in this vital steel and armaments center. Roy J. Madden, who won the Democratic nomination, fought the campaign on a vigorous win-the-war now platform and had the support of Democrats and Republicans alike. He was pledged to support of the President's war program.

Political observers here agree with the estimate of Madden's victory made by Robert E. Wilhelm, his campaign manager and a former Democratic county chairman. Mr. Wilhelm said Madden's nomination "was the direct result of a desire on the part of the people of Lake County, Republicans as well as Democrats, for a quick victory in the war which can easily be attained by the wholehearted support of the President's war program."

Madden himself paid tribute to labor's role. "It was a great victory for the masses of the Democratic party and the rank and file of labor who gave me the grandest kind of support," he said.

The defeat of the incumbent, Rep. William T. Schulte, who received nearly 13,000 votes to Madden's 18,000, was not a defeat for the people, who had before them the choice of two win-the-war candidates. Of the two, Madden was the more outspoken, forthright, and militant.

Both candidates shared the labor vote, since both ran on similar platforms. Now that the primary contest has been decided, observers expect the labor vote to unite solidly behind the candidacy of Madden.

An important aspect of the primary was the tremendous defeat suffered by the Republican Party. The Democratic Congressional majority piled up a 3 to 1 major victory. Furthermore, while Madden got 18,000 votes and Schulte 13,000, the highest vote given to any of the Republican nominees for Congress was 4,000.

These results show clearly that the isolationist and defeatist course of the Republican Party in Indiana weighs like a millstone around the neck of its candidates dragging them down to defeat.

The Bund and similar organizations used to have some strength around Hammond. The election shows they have little base among the people. If the defeatists counted on a strong Bund and defeatist vote, the election in this community of soldiers of production gave them the answer.

Rescuers Dig For 4 Trapped In Coal Mine

Eight-man crew continues rescue operations 250 feet below ground level today in an attempt to reach four miners trapped more than 60 hours ago when water and gas poured through a broken wall in the Superior Coal Company's mine No. 1.

Little hope was held that any of the four trapped men will be found alive.

The four trapped men are Frank Bertogoli, who was to have been married Saturday, Robert Edmonson, Frank De St. Jean and Joe Reddick. They were in a group of 30 when a cutting machine broke through the wall of an abandoned shaft. The other 16 escaped.

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LaGuardia Urges City Support USO Drive

Mayor LaGuardia yesterday, in an official proclamation, called on New Yorkers to pledge their "generous support" to the Joint War Appeal of the United Service Organizations.

He officially opened the drive for \$4,450,000, the city's share of the \$22,000,000 national goal, scheduled to be completed on July 4.

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PEGLER AND STORMTROOPER SMITH SEE EYE-TO-EYE ON BROWDER CASE

The campaign to block Earl Browder's freedom, launched four weeks ago in "The Cross and the Flag," the magazine of Gerald L. K. Smith, pro-fascist stormtrooper and defender of Coughlin, has now been taken up by Westbrook Pegler.

Pegler is taking his strategy from Smith. This strategy has been decided upon by the defeatists not only to block Browder's release, but by Hitler-like red-baiting to create suspicion, distrust and disruption within the camp of national unity.

But Pegler's attacks have not had smooth sailing. In his latest anti-Browder column in the World-Telegram, he is forced to apologize to Wendell Willkie and, indirectly, to the Citizens' Committee to Free Browder.

Pegler had previously charged that the Citizens' Committee was misrepresenting Willkie's statement made in 1940 against the persecution of Browder and had pretended that the statement was made during the current Free Browder drive.

Now Pegler is compelled to reveal that he has received a letter from Mr. Willkie, denying that the Free Browder drive had misquoted him or had represented that the 1940 statement was made currently.

But with the misrepresentation exposed as being the work of Pegler himself, the Sixth Columnist lunges out in a new effort to block the impressive movement for Browder's release. This he does by daring to compare Browder to the convicted Nazi Bund leader, Fritz Kuhn.

Here is an attack upon not only



PEGLER



G. K. SMITH

the intelligentsia but also the patriotism of the 3,000,000 Americans from every walk of life who have already gone on record in Browder's behalf.

Here too, is exactly the kind of

Sixth Column propaganda of which Archibald MacLeish recently warned the country. In attempting to link the Communists with the Nazis, Pegler is seeking to break up the growing national unity within the country.

Pegler leeringly suggests that the Free Browder movement should at the same time work for the release of Kuhn. But obviously it is not the backers of Browder's freedom who want to see Kuhn released, but Pegler himself. If Kuhn were now free, he would be saying and writing exactly what Pegler says and writes. Kuhn would be attacking the Roosevelt Administration, the labor movement, the Negro people, national unity, the United Nations, the Communist Party and Earl Browder in exactly the same pro-fascist language used by Pegler.

In fact, Kuhn, if free, might conduct Pegler's column when the latter goes on vacation, and no reader would be any the wiser.

Everyone associated with the Free Browder drive and with the trade union movement which has been so slandered by Pegler, should insist that papers like the World-Telegram no longer disseminate Pegler's Sixth Column poison. It is high time that Pegler's tenure of office in American journalism be brought to a close.

As for Pegler's attempt to block the Free Browder movement and prevent executive action by President Roosevelt in behalf of the imprisoned anti-fascist leader, the best answer is to raise the demand for Browder's release in louder tones than ever before.

Schappes Case Postponed Until May 28

Jean Untermyer, Poet, Joins Defense of Former Teacher

The Appellate Division of the Supreme Court has again postponed the Morris U. Schappes' case to May 28, the Defense Committee revealed yesterday.

At that time the case will be argued by Lloyd Paul Stryker in association with Howard Hilton Spellman, and trial lawyer Edward Kuntz.

Jean Starr Untermyer, poet, has joined the list of sponsors while Locals 37, 45 and 53 of the New York District of the State, County and Municipal Workers have asked Gov. Herbert Lehman for clemency in the case of the former City College teacher and noted anti-fascist victimized by the Rapp-Coudert witch-hunt.

Other unions sending resolutions to the Governor include Local 42, Milwaukee; United Office and Professional Workers and Local 27 Newark and Local 301, Wilmington of the International Fur and Leather Workers Union.

3 Armies Created to Defend India

Forces Streamlined for Maximum Power to Attack Enemy

LONDON, May 11 (UP).—India has drastically reshaped her defense system, creating three armies which have been stripped of cumbersome civil and administrative duties and streamlined for striking at the enemy with full force, the All-India Radio announced today.

These armies are to be known as the Eastern, Southern and Northwestern. The first two already have been organized on an operational basis.

The Eastern Army will be responsible mainly for guarding all approaches to India along the eastern land frontier with Burma, now menaced by the Japanese. The area under its jurisdiction includes Assam and Bengal.

The Northwestern army will protect the approaches from the west and north, including the famed Khyber Pass, between India and Afghanistan.

Forces stationed in central parts of India will be amalgamated under the new scheme "into a single command to be known as the Central Command," the All-India Radio said. This command will relieve the other forces of considerable administrative responsibility, including maintenance of order.

ILD Condemns Lynch Murder in Carolina

Urges Gov. Broughton Act on 'Hitlerism in Our Midst'

(Special to the Daily Worker)

RALEIGH, N. C., May 11.—Gov. J. M. Broughton has received a sharply worded protest from the International Labor Defense on the killing of Will Dawkins, "second Negro in the United States to be lynched since Pearl Harbor."

"The bullet-riddled body of Will Dawkins . . . reads the wire," bears grim testimony to the fact that domestic enemies of national unity are practicing Hitlerism in our midst."

The ILD demanded that the governor take all necessary steps to bring the lynchers to justice. Dawkins was murdered in Hamlet, N. C.

Navy Relief Fund
Contributions to the Navy Relief Fund in St. Louis were stopped on April 13 when the city over-subscribed its quota by 20 per cent.

Citrine's Visit Spurs Unity of Allied Labor

(Continued from Page 1)

met with the older labor federation.

The Anglo-Soviet Trade Union Committee got its start on Oct. 14 of last year, when a special delegation from the British Trades Union Congress arrived in Moscow. The initiative for the meeting had been taken by the British organization at its meeting at Edinburgh the month before. The delegation from



Learning: Mrs. Helen Learning, L. L. center-panche, a piece of stock before turning it on the lathe. She is one of thousands enrolled at the N. Y. State Institute of Agriculture at Farmingdale, N. Y.

Ikkes Proposes 8-Point Plan To Oil Industry

Directives Will Bolster Dwindling East Coast Fuel Supply

WASHINGTON, May 11 (UP).—Petroleum Coordinator Harold L. Ikkes directed the oil industry today to undertake a "far-reaching" eight-point program to bolster dwindling East Coast industrial fuel oil supplies "at the expense of gasoline."

Officials said the program would increase total oil movement into the Atlantic seaboard, and that at least 100,000 additional barrels of heavy fuel oil daily will be made available to shortage-threatened eastern war industries.

Ikkes' program would involve several factors and would result in some decrease in available gasoline supplies, already so short in the east that rationing to motorists will be started Friday. The exact decrease in gasoline shipments which would result from the program could not be determined immediately.

Ikkes' recommendations cannot be enforced by law. However, the industry customarily accepts them as orders.

IKKES' DIRECTIVES

His directive recommended:

1. Formation of a tank car committee to obtain "maximum efficiency in the use of all tank cars employed by the petroleum industry."

2. A daily increase of 100,000 barrels in movement of industrial fuel oil from Gulf Coast and the Middle West.

3. Adjustment of East Coast refinery operations to obtain maximum production of war necessities, "at the expense of gasoline and domestic heating oil, from a minimum amount of crude oil."

4. Equitable distribution of crude supplies along East Coast refineries, with each receiving amount in proportion to their operations during the last six months of 1941.

5. Maintenance of East Coast refinery production at 400,000 barrels daily—200,000 less than normal—through movement of an additional 100,000 barrels of crude oil from East Texas fields.

6. Movement by Great Lakes tankers of 10,000 additional barrels of gasoline daily into East Coast. Officials said these tankers, many of which are built only to carry gasoline, would release other carriers for fuel oil shipments.

7. Rearrangement of transportation to provide oil to the South-Eastern states entirely through pipeline and tank car terminals on the Gulf Coast and the Mississippi River. This action will affect Virginia, the Carolinas, Georgia, Florida, Alabama and Mississippi.

8. Rearrangement of tank car operations to insure movement of at least 100,000 barrels of oil daily from the South to the Northern portion of the Atlantic seaboard.

Women Unionists

Forty-seven members of the New York Women's Trade Union League received certificates last week for successfully completing courses in first aid, nutrition and physical fitness.

Capital Leaders Form Browder Committee

Clergyman Named Head; Plan Mass Rally On May 22

(Special to the Daily Worker)

WASHINGTON, D. C., May 11.—Leading citizens of Washington have added their names to a long list of sponsors of the newly formed Washington Citizens' Committee to Free Earl Browder, the Rev. T. T. Mollegen, chairman, announced yesterday.

"Earl Browder belongs with all others fighting the common enemy at this time," the Reverend stated at committee headquarters, 1406 L St., Northwest. "His imprisonment is not only a challenge to American justice, but serves also to weaken the total war effort."

In asking for executive clemency, the Committee expects to gain wide support, he said. It will not, however, accept the assistance of any individual not committed to the national war effort who might be interested in using the case as an "anti-administration stalking horse."

The committee is sponsoring a public meeting at the National Press Club Auditorium on Friday, May 22.

A partial list of Committee sponsors includes: Benjamin Allen, United Cannery, Agricultural, Packing and Allied Workers; the Rev. Ernest A. de Berdenave, Alexandria, Va., Episcopal Church; Dr. D. H. Daugherty, National Council of Learned Societies; John P. Davis, National Negro Congress; Mrs. Clifford J. Durr; the Rev. T. T. Mollegen, St. Margaret's Church; Mrs. Mortimer Graves and Donald Goodchild, American Council of Learned Societies; the Rev. J. L. Henry, Tenth Street Church; Borne Halling, CIO Maritime Commission; Eugene C. Holmes and Dr. Dorey Wilkerson of Howard University; Charles Houston, National Association for Advancement of Colored People; the Rev. D. H. Jarnagin; Milton Kemnitz, National Federation for Constitutional Liberties; the Rev. Fairfax King; the Hon. Vito Marcantonio; Dr. C. Herbert Marshall; Ruth McKinney; Jack Mink, United Cafeteria Employees; the Rev. A. T. Mollegen, Episcopalian Seminary; I. F. Stone, Washington editor of The Nation; John Coburn Turner; Leighton Williams, Hotel and Restaurant Employees and Mrs. Luke I. Wilson.

'Wait Till Hitler Comes Here'—Firm Tells CIO

Office Union Protests Unpatriotic Stand by Credit Exchange

When union members of Credit Exchange approached the management for a collective bargaining election, they were told "when Hitler comes here, he will teach you a lesson or two," Local 16, United Office and Professional Workers announced yesterday.

The management has refused to meet with the U. S. Department of Conciliation to settle the labor dispute and has resorted to firing leading union members.

Local 16 has appealed to subscribers of the Credit Exchange and to the women employed by the company to protest the unpatriotic attitude of the firm which refuses to apply legal government means to avoid labor strife.

Committed to a "no strike" policy for the duration, Local 16 represents a majority of workers at Credit Exchange, many of whom make as little as \$5 a month.

The organized employees of Credit Exchange have informed subscribers that the company is pursuing a union-busting tactic.

The second largest credit company, Credit Clearing House, had a union contract for five years.

William Browder To Talk at Detroit Rally Tomorrow

(Special to the Daily Worker)

DETROIT, May 11.—William Browder, brother of America's leading anti-fascist, Earl Browder, will be the main speaker at a Free Browder rally to be held here Wednesday, May 13, at the Mirror Ballroom, 2940 Woodward Ave., at 8 P.M.

The meeting sponsored by the Michigan Citizens' Committee to Free Earl Browder, will also hear Judge Patrick O'Brien, State Senator Charles C. Diggs; the Rev. Harold P. Marley, Unitarian Church; Ann Arbor; Joseph Faria, president of Briggs Local 1212, United Auto Workers; and Jack Cornblith, Wayne Student Council.

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Inspects Cuban Volunteers: President Fulgencio Batista walks between the ranks of newly-enlisted members of the Cuban Army at Havana. Officer with sword raised in salute is General Berrito.

Fur Union Pledges All Resources for Victory

Convention Cheers Ben Gold's Call for 2nd Front; Hear of Pay Rise

(Special to the Daily Worker)

CHICAGO, Ill., May 11.—A thousand fur workers at the mass meeting which opened the 14th biennial convention of the International Fur & Leather Workers Union, Fur Division, here last night at the Hotel Stevens, heard President Ben Gold call for the immediate opening of a second front against Hitler in Europe.

"We pledge that every member of our union will shoulder a gun and meet the enemy head on if need be and vow never to return until complete and final victory," the fiery president of the big union declared.

"That is the spirit in which we meet fascism," Gold denounced John L. Lewis as a leader "who has forsaken his people."

"The CIO is fortunate in having produced a great leader like Philip Murray to carry on the policies of the CIO. Every ounce of energy of myself, our executive board and the entire membership of our organization will go to support the national policy of the CIO."

WAGE INCREASES
At the opening rally of the convention Irving Potash, manager of the Joint Council revealed that the 10,000 members of the Council will find a total of more than \$50,000 in wage increases this week.

Potash revealed that weekly increases of \$4 to \$5 were obtained in all fur shops in the New York market under contract with the Furriers Joint Council. Fur Floor boys received increases of from \$2 to \$3 weekly, he said.

Fullerton Fuller, regional director of the CIO in Illinois, officially greeted the fur delegates at last night's meeting.

He also called for the immediate establishment of a western front against Hitler and paid warm tribute to the strength and courage of the Soviet people.

"The time has come for the nations allied with this heroic people to come to their aid with all the force at their command," Fuller declared. "We have got to strike down once and for all the dark forces of Nazi-fascism."

Mayor Kelly of Chicago, who had indicated he would be present to greet the opening session of the convention, sent his regrets by wire from Washington and said he would attend the convention later in the week.

In the Officers' Report, which was the main feature of today's session, recommendations to the convention all dealt with winning the war.

\$5,000,000 FOR BONDS
The report urged that the Convention set an additional quota of \$5,000,000 for War Bonds, continue and intensify the support of the union membership to the Red Cross and called upon all union members to enroll for civilian defense activity.

The Officers' Report also recommended that the convention go on record "volunteering the services of our organization to the government authorities for utilization of the fur industry."

Paying particular attention to "all forms of racism, anti-Semitism, discrimination against Negroes and national minorities," the report recommended that the General Executive Board take practical measures to combat all of these evils which shadow America's democracy and war effort.

The fine war record of the Furriers Joint Council of New York came in for particular praise in

the Officers' Report which mentioned the following accomplishments of the Joint Council during the past year:

The raising of \$100,000 for Russian and British War Relief and large contributions to other organizations as well.

The organization of committees for war relief work. The knitting clubs set up by the Ladies Auxiliaries. The vast donations of cigarettes, candy and shaving kits which went sent to union volunteers and draftees.

The action of many members in volunteering for the Army. The blood contributions which passed a thousand. The Joint Council's drive for a minimum of \$1,000,000 in war bonds.

"An outstanding contribution of Chicago Local 45 was the campaign to make fur lined jerseys for British sailors who patrol the Atlantic sea lanes," the report said. "The Chicago fur workers contributed their labor—600 fur-lined jerseys were made."

Foster Speaks Tomorrow On War Issues
Workers School Lecture Will Deal with Labor in 1918 and Today
No one is more qualified to speak on the tasks confronting labor than William Z. Foster, leader of workers for more than three decades and chairman of the Communist Party.

The original organizer of the steel industry and leader of the 1919 strike will speak on "American Labor in World War I and the Globe War Today" at the Irving Plaza on Wednesday at 7 P.M. The lecture is part of the Worker's School series on Main Epochs in the American Labor Movement.

Councilman Peter V. Cacchione and Simon W. Gerson, New York state representative of the Communist Party, will lead a Worker's School course in Government Affairs in War Time.

Five lectures will deal with a review of the State Legislative, State campaign perspectives, City Council politics, structure of the City government, home rule, city budget, finances and winning a war congress in the coming elections.

The course begins on Friday, May 22 running from 7 to 8:30 P.M. Registration is now going on. The fee is \$1.50.

Save Brass in Bulb Manufacture
About 2,000,000 pounds of brass will be saved annually through the substitution of iron for brass bases in light bulbs in the 10 to 300 watt sizes. To prevent corrosion a thin coating of brass will still be used.

Dorie Miller Gets Navy Medal NOW LET'S END ALL JIM-CROW

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had fired a gun manned a machine gun on the bridge until his ammunition was exhausted."

Upon discovering Miller's identity, Rep. Marcantonio made his name public and immediately wired Miller's parents in Waco, Texas, who are sharecroppers. In his telegram to the parents, Rep. Marcantonio said:

"He is the symbol of the determination of the Negro race to do everything possible to smash the Axis."

Rep. Marcantonio revealed that the Navy Department, in bringing to light the name of the Negro here, had supplied further information regarding Miller's gallant action.

The Navy's report read:

"In company with two officers and several enlisted men, Miller was on the signal bridge of a battleship when the commanding officer of the vessel received a fatal abdominal wound."

"While the others sought to construct a stretcher to lower the captain to a safer location, a naval reserve lieutenant and Miller manned a pair of machine-guns and fired upon the attacking planes until fires started by bombs rendered the machine guns useless."

"Unable to lower their captain on an improvised stretcher, four officers and men, including Miller, carried him from the blazing bridge of the ship to a more sheltered deck under the port side anti-aircraft guns. Dying, the captain ordered the officers and men to abandon the ship. Finding other means of escape blocked because of the flames, they made their way to shore, hand over hand, along lines strung deckward from a boat crane."

On April 1, Secretary Knox cited Dorie Miller "for distinguished devotion to duty, extraordinary courage and disregard for his own safety during the attack on the fleet in Pearl Harbor, T. H. on December 7, 1941."

Dorie Miller's brave action was instrumental in throwing a nationwide spotlight upon the discriminatory practices in the U. S. Navy against Negroes, particularly on the policy of not permitting Negroes in the Navy to attain positions higher than that of a seaman.

Miller's case was used by Wendell Willkie on March 19, in a speech delivered at a Freedom House dinner in New York, to appeal for an end to discrimination in the armed forces. Citing Miller's valiant feat, Willkie stated, referring to Negroes seeking entry into the Navy that: "He cannot enlist (except as a messman) in the United States Navy for the reason that he was born with a black skin."

Commenting on Willkie's plea, the Daily Worker said editorially a few days later:

"With this demand all Americans who respect our democracy and who know how valuable such an act of justice would be to the national unity of our country will express enthusiastic agreement. This is a move which has been delayed too long, as the Daily Worker has stressed



Proud Parents of a Negro hero, Dorie Miller, Mr. and Mrs. Conery Miller, sharecroppers of the Southern Negro Youth Congress in the name of their son. Dorie Miller, messman at Pearl Harbor, who manned a machine-gun while Japanese planes opened bullets on deck, has been cited for heroism by Secretary of Navy Knox.

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Not Just on Schedule--Ahead of It! Production Progress Told

By Conrad Komorowski

(Special to the Daily Worker)

CHICAGO, May 11.—A working conference of soldiers of production has just concluded its session here. Seventy-five labor members of the United Electrical, Radio and Machine Workers met to exchange experiences and to learn from one another how to give a bigger and steadier push to production to beat the Axis.

Among them were men who had turned out the gears that went into the heroic Lieut. Commander Hare's aeroplanes in which he shot down five or six Japanese fliers and saved an aircraft carrier.

THE OFFENSIVE SPIRIT

Among them were many who were the coveted Navy "E" button, given to workers in plants which have broken production records.

The reports on progress were uneven—in some plants things are going very well, and in others not so well.

But one element was even and constant—the determination of the union men to keep pro-

duction rising and rising until it will blow Hitler sky high.

These were the trade unionists who later in the evening unanimously adopted a resolution urging President Roosevelt to let nothing stand in the way of opening the crucial Second Front in Europe in the shortest possible time.

The production conference also pledged support to the President's anti-inflation program so that victorious warfare may be waged on the home front, and all-out effort to turn out ever more tools, gauges, gears, die-sets, radios and other materials.

The spirit behind their drive for production animated their request to the national CIO to work for closer relations of the American trade union movement with that of Britain and the Soviet Union to bring about the early defeat of Hitler and the Axis.

Take their work in Midwestern Tool, a key tool shop in this area, where 70 per cent of the month's production was completed in nine days. On April 21, a representative of the Ordnance

Department met with the management-labor production council to warn them that the completion of only 30 per cent of the April quota had created a serious bottleneck.

The production committee immediately got to work, rearranged schedules, made changes in the plant. The union members voluntarily went on 12-hour shifts.

The job was completed by April 30 on schedule—70 per cent of the quota in nine days—and won the congratulations of the Ordnance Department.

Now the production council have asked themselves if what they did in April cannot be repeated every month, thus exceeding all previous records.

At Grand Sheet and Metal, a production committee was set up about three months ago. It received excellent cooperation from the management in fact, the cooperation was so excellent, and the management took so keen an interest in the committee that the union members, of the council were not present at the UE production conference.

They were being graduated that very night from a technical school to which they had been sent—with tuition, books, and so on paid for—by the management to develop further the initiative and ability shown at the production council.

In another plant, where the management has not been cooperative, union members have undertaken by themselves in the course of their work to help the war effort.

As the UE representative said, "Our production council meets every noon hour. While we eat, we discuss our production problems; we give and take advice from the entire shop."

He reported that the workers had eliminated scrap and that among the tool makers particularly production had been greatly increased.

Reports of workers from the shops were preceded by a few short speeches by Major M. Bonasual of the Army Signal Corps, Prof. John Hodapp of the Office of Civilian Defense and Vernon Johnson of the Apprenticeship Division of the Department of Labor.



Probe Killing of Negro Soldier, Biddle Orders

Action Follows Police Shooting in Arkansas

(Special to the Daily Worker)

WASHINGTON, May 11.—Acting upon a War Department request for prompt action in order that American soldiers, "white or Negro, be afforded protection when on pass in a civilian community," Attorney General Francis Biddle has ordered an immediate Grand Jury investigation into the fatal shooting of Sergeant Thomas P. Foster, a Negro soldier, by a white civilian police officer at Little Rock, Arkansas, last March 22.

Biddle made the announcement Wednesday, May 6, stating that he has requested Samuel Rorex, United States Attorney for the Eastern District of Arkansas, to institute the Grand Jury investigation.

Rorex will be assisted by Frank H. Patton, a special assistant to the Attorney General and a former attorney general of New Mexico. The investigation is scheduled to begin on or about June 1.

Biddle said the investigation is being made at the direct request of the War Department, which asked that prompt action be taken "in view of the necessity that soldiers, white or Negro, be afforded protection when on pass in a civilian community."

According to Justice Department reports, Foster, remonstrated with by military police officers for delivering to the custody of Little Rock policemen a soldier they had arrested for drunkenness. An altercation ensued, and Foster was arrested by the military police.

According to reports received by the Justice Department, City Policeman A. J. Hay, offered to escort Foster to an Army truck if the military police would disperse the crowd of several hundred persons which had gathered. Foster is alleged to have questioned this procedure and was struck over the head several times with a nightstick. In the struggle he and Hay fell to the ground.

At this point, reports say, Hay rose to his feet, drew his revolver, and fired four shots into Foster while he was lying in a dazed condition on the ground. Immediately after the shooting, Hay broke open his revolver, reloaded it, and then lit and smoked his pipe.

An investigation was later conducted by Prosecuting Attorney Sam Robinson of Little Rock, who refused to find Hay guilty.

Despite this finding, the Attorney General said, both the War Department and Assistant Attorney General Wendell Berge, in charge of the Criminal Division, have recommended a thorough investigation of the case by a Federal Grand Jury.

Washington Negroes Adopt War Program

(Special to the Daily Worker)

WASHINGTON, May 11.—A campaign to increase the participation of the Negro people in the war effort was initiated this week by a newly formed citizens' committee in the nation's capital.

First step in the campaign, it was announced, would be to call a conference for next Sunday, May 17.

COMMITTEE'S PROGRAM

Sponsors of the campaign include James Scott, president of the Washington National Association for the Advancement of Colored People; George Goodman, secretary of the Washington Urban League; Miss Jeannette Welsh, of the National Council of the AKA

Pay Tax Due to CIO, Miners Tell Lewis

Local 1944 of Illinois Backs Murray; Resolution Passed for 2nd Front

(Special to the Daily Worker)

WESTVILLE, Ill., May 11.—Another United Miners' local has taken action against John L. Lewis's withholding of the UMW per capita tax due to the national office of the CIO.

At this meeting a message to President Roosevelt urging the opening of a second European front immediately as the most expedient way of winning the war was also adopted.

Local 1944, with 500 members, at the Peabody Mine here has adopted a resolution "instructing" as the resolution put it—the international officers and executive board of the UMW to pay the withheld per capita tax to the CIO and to cooperate with Murray, vice-president of the UMW and president of the CIO.

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As part of his campaign to weaken the CIO, Lewis has withheld payment of the per capita tax on the grounds that an alleged debt of \$1,650,000 is owed by the CIO to the UMW.

This claim of Lewis's is completely rejected in the resolution, which points out: "In our international conventions and elsewhere we were always led to believe that the UMW was donating this money to organize the unorganized, to give all workers the benefit and protection of organization and real collective bargaining, not only for themselves but for the protection of the United Mine Workers of America, and the monies so given were received and spent by the CIO when President John L. Lewis was president of the CIO."

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The action of local 1944 is particularly significant, locally and nationally for two reasons.

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2. The action was taken despite the greatly increased activities in the Westville area of John L. Lewis's pyroline "leadership" to curb all sentiment directed against Lewis and his disruptive and defeatist plotting.

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Michigan CIO Backs Murray 100%—Scholle

Issues Blast at Lewis Disruption; Supports War Drive

(Special to the Daily Worker)

DETROIT, Mich., May 11.—August Scholle, president of the Michigan CIO Council today pledged the "complete moral and physical support" of the Michigan body to Philip Murray and the war effort.

Scholle's telegram was his answer to the repeated attacks being made upon Murray by spokesmen for John L. Lewis.

"My action is based on the revelations made by Murray in Pittsburgh on Tuesday afternoon that his work as president of the CIO is being sabotaged by Lewis and his supporters," Scholle said. "I am with Murray for full prosecution of the war, for support of President Roosevelt, and for decent trade unionism."

Scholle said he was urging everyone to Michigan's 500,000 CIO members to take a stand with Murray against Lewis.

Emergency Vehicles Won't Need Ration Cards

WASHINGTON, May 11 (UP).—Vehicles engaged in civilian defense activities or "meeting an acute emergency involving life, health or property" may obtain gasoline without a ration card, the Office of Price Administration said today.

Individuals obtaining gasoline while on civilian defense activities must show a gasoline dealer their official identification.

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Negro Paper Calls Trotskyites 'Fascists'

California Eagle Denounces Disunity Anti-War Plot; Warns Negro People

(Special to the Daily Worker)

LOS ANGELES, May 11.—Efforts of the Trotskyite American Socialist Party to sow disunity among Negroes here, today were branded as "deliberate fascist propaganda" by the California Eagle, influential weekly Negro newspaper.

Throughout the local Negro community—one of the largest in the nation after New York and Chicago—the Trotskyites have been distributing their official organ, "Labor Action," during recent weeks.

Warning that "Labor Action" is "a dangerous and deceptive publication," the California Eagle told its readers that:

"Labor Action's policy appears to this paper as Fascist as Father Coughlin's—and a much greater peril. The thousand-fold of publicity has revealed the gross quality in his true colors—a paid Nazi propagandist. Labor Action is still garbed in the phony raiment of 'liberalism.' Don't be fooled!"

In further analysis of the Trotskyite sheet and its aims, the California Eagle stated:

"It is chief threat to Negroes, to the working people whose cause it supposedly represents, to America as a whole, is skillful and vicious opposition to the nation's war effort. Infiltration of such deliberate fascist propaganda in the Negro community is particularly dangerous, since there already exists here a serious morale problem."

"According to Labor Action, it is

"What does this mean?"

"It means that Labor Action is playing Herr Hitler's game, the game of all these merchants of disunity who would confuse issues and throw dust in the people's eyes."

"What Labor Action really means is that it is against a successful prosecution of the war against the Axis. It means to stir Negroes against whites, whites against Negroes, capital against labor, labor against capital—so that we may reap the inevitable result of such division—defeat."

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For the Axis: Shells are being packed in a Mid-West war production factory in this photo.

Negro People Are Not 'Indifferent'—Ford

Crosswaith's Red-Baiting Flayed; Ford Says War Unity Is Crucial

Declaring that "the Negro people are not indifferent to the outcome of the war," James W. Ford, outstanding Communist leader, in a recent letter to the Amsterdam Star News condemned red-baiting and the "falsification of the history of Reconstruction" by Frank R. Crosswaith, one of the paper's columnists.

Ford pointed out that "those who red-bait are doing what the anti-Negro elements, defeatists and pro-fascists in our midst want, and so often inspire to destroy unity."

Excerpts from Ford's letter follow:

"In your paper . . . Mr. Crosswaith says that the 'Carpet-bagger' were responsible for every evil that beset the Negro people during and following Reconstruction, and that Communist activities among Negroes today follow a similar pattern and are most sinister."

"Now is the time for the greatest unity of the nation. Those who red-bait are doing just what the anti-Negro elements, defeatists and pro-fascists in our midst want, and so often inspire to destroy unity."

"A stream in the South is surging forward into the mainstream of the American people's fight against the Nazi-fascists."

"That is why the traditions of Reconstruction do assume some importance for us today, for the labor and progressive movement throughout the country and for the Negro people and the white masses of the South."

"Raising the specter of a second 'Carpet-bagger Invasion' to be accompanied by 'black domination' the demagogues step forward as the 'protectors of white womanhood' and preservers of Anglo-Saxon racial purity. They seek in this way to block the growing movement for democracy in the South, and to rally the white masses behind the Southern poll tax congressmen."

"This will only result in perpetuating the backwardness and poverty in the South."

JIM-CROW FEEDS ON LIES
"Thus the falsification of the history of Reconstruction, the concealing of its real lessons from the masses, has become a whole system of ideas by which reaction seeks to justify its rule over the Negroes."

"It is clear that real lasting unity of democratic forces of this country cannot be achieved, that racial hatred and friction cannot be removed, that unity cannot be consolidated without a persistent struggle against these ideas and this falsification of American traditions."

"The reactionaries try to keep hidden from the poor whites of the South the historical fact that the first real rights they ever enjoyed were achieved by the joint efforts of the newly-emancipated Negroes and the 'poor white' delegates in the state legislatures and constitutional conventions following the Civil War."

"The Southern reactionaries are raising a hue and cry against the 'New Carpet-bagger Invasion' from up North. They apply this term to trade union organizers and Communists."

"My earnest opinion is that a tragic error is made and great harm done to the cause of national unity, when we do not scrutinize with great care the accuracy of statements and opinions in these trying days for our nation and for the Negro people."

Labor Helps Consumers
Newark, Ohio, AFL and CIO unions joined with other community organizations in Licking County to help Denison University at Granville, Ohio, make a success of the first program on "Consumers in a War Economy."

Sponsors of the campaign include James Scott, president of the Washington National Association for the Advancement of Colored People; George Goodman, secretary of the Washington Urban League; Miss Jeannette Welsh, of the National Council of the AKA

Fraternity; Mr. Wilkinson, chairman of the Negro Board of Education; and William Johnson, business agent of the AFL Hotel and Restaurant Union.

The Committee's program, which will be presented to the Conference, will include the following points:

(1) To increase the contribution of the Negro people to winning the battle for production.

(2) To secure the Congressional Medal of Honor for Doris Miller.

(3) To promote increased participation in civilian defense, sale of war bonds, soldier welfare, etc.

(4) Development of a true understanding of war issues as they affect America generally and the Negro people in particular.



Ready for Action—Tank crews of Uncle Sam's Army line up in front of their units on desert in California, ready for signal which will send them into maneuvers.

Chicago Leaders Back ILD Call to War on 5th Column

The Hon. Earl B. Dickerson, Chicago alderman, and Reid Robinson, president of the International Mine, Mill and Smelter Workers, have endorsed the Open Letter to Attorney General Biddle, supporting the Department of Justice's action against domestic fascists.

The Congressmen's letter which calls for the ruthless prosecution of internal enemies is being circulated among thousands of progressive Americans, trade unions and mass organizations.

Announcing the progress of the drive, the International Labor Defense stated, "We know that every patriotic American can join in support of the Attorney General in this course. . . . The ILD is confident that all citizens who have

been and are active in defense of the Bill of Rights will rally to the battle for civil liberties in support of the war with no quarter to the bogus patriots and traitors behind our lines."

Alderman Dickerson is also a member of the President's Committee on Fair Employment Practices. Robinson is a CIO vice-president.

We Have the Means--- Churchill Proves It

Churchill, in his survey of the war situation, displayed a more confident, aggressive tone than in his previous addresses. He rightly declared that the "balances have turned to the advantage of the cause of freedom."

What turned the tide, Churchill said, was "the Russian glory," the outstanding military fact that the Red Army met the full brunt of the Hitler attack, smashed the legend of Nazi invincibility, never surrendered for a single moment, even during necessary withdrawals, the basic strategy of attack. As a result, the gigantic Nazi war machine has been badly wounded, with Germany losing more men on the Soviet front than in the entire four years of the last war.

Another basis for Churchill's confidence was the growing strength of the alliance between Britain, America and the Soviet Union, and our rising mobilization for battle.

Churchill's outlook generally moves in the right direction—toward more unity and greater offensives. But it must be said that it moves too slowly in this direction, and that the movement toward the full unleashing of the allied attack via a Western Front is still marked by hesitations. There is lacking the explicit realization that 1942 is the decisive year. Churchill ignored India, and failed also to give the Indian people the assurance of their independence in order to mobilize them fully to meet the danger of Japanese invasion.

But in his survey, it is Churchill himself who has given the proof that the Second Front is immediately possible.

FIRST, Churchill reveals that the allies now have air superiority over Hitler. Thus, Churchill removes the stock argument of the counselors of "waiting" who promise a Second Front after "we get superior air

power." We have the superior air power now on both the eastern and western fronts.

Churchill also reveals that Britain is fully armed. "We are well armed," he says. This again removes the alibi of the cautious calculators who want to save Hitler from an immediate land invasion until the last button is sewn on the last uniform.

Finally, Churchill properly declares that Europe is the main battlefield, and that the crushing of Hitler first will mean the downfall of Japanese conquests in the Pacific.

EVERYTHING adds up to the Second Front in 1942. Yet the word is not spoken, and precious time slips by. Europe and the United Nations will welcome the promise of heavier and joint British-U. S. bombings over Hitler's factories. But the land invasion is what Hitler dreads most.

Churchill's praise of the Second Front movement, which has reached great proportions in England, will arouse to new heights the people's demand for the land attack because Churchill himself has given the best proof that it is possible and urgent.

The fight will grow sterner against the defeatist enemies of the Second Front, and the pressure will grow greater against the hesitations of those who delay the crucial action with the excuse that only "experts" understand the problem. For Churchill proved that the technical matter has already been settled—we have the means to launch the immediate land attack against Hitler. Still lacking is the political realization that 1942 must be the year of decision and that failure to strike now may prove dangerous and costly to the cause of the United Nations.

Victory can be won only by engaging the enemy's land armies and destroying those armies. In London and in Washington, the people need to make their voices heard on behalf of this axiom. 1942 must be the year of the Second Front and Hitler's doom.

By attacking voluntary stabilization of wages, which is implied in the President's program, Lewis is opening the door wide for the reactionary proposal to freeze wages by law.

Our nation is in a grim war against Axis slavery. In that crisis, American labor has to take the lead in pushing forward the war effort and in making such sacrifices as will not interfere with the continuation of full productive power among the workers. When Lewis tries to inveigle labor into the idea that "government spending" for the armaments to defeat Hitler is a bad thing, he is merely preaching that defeatism which has put him in the camp of Hoover, Landon and the rest of the Munich-minded men. When he seeks to infer that labor can go on with "unionism-as-usual" in this grave crisis, in which labor's own life is at stake, he is preaching a false and dangerous doctrine. Pretending to advance labor's economic interests at the undoubted expense of successful prosecution of the war, Lewis is hurting both the workers' economic interests and the war effort.

This defeatist stab by Lewis at killing the President's program can stir up the labor movement, which wants to win the war, to redouble its activities in support of the program. There are powerful influences trying to defeat it. Labor has to see to it that they do not succeed.

Mr. Dewey's Far-Off Gaze

Mr. Thomas Dewey, as a Republican Party leader in New York State, has suddenly developed an extraordinary interest in what kind of world we will have "after we win the war."

But we think that from now on the American people will begin to suspect very strongly that an intense preoccupation with such problems may be a screen for refusing to pitch in unitedly behind the Administration's all-out war drive.

Dewey's fixed glance upon the far-off post-war world seems to prevent him from noticing that there are vicious defeatists within his party—Senator C. Wayland Brooks of Illinois and Senator Taft of Ohio, for example.

Mr. Dewey refrains from denouncing these gentlemen, just as he carefully refrains from any sort of direct commitment on opening a Second Front in Europe or full military alliance with the Soviet Union, or any of the other crucial issues which divide genuine all-out-for-victory persons from politics-as-usual partisans.

Mr. Dewey's emphasis is all on attacking the Administration which is conducting the war. He views the coming elections in a strictly partisan manner.

But the country which faces a deadly enemy cannot afford such narrow bickering in the elections. It will insist that every man be chosen and judged strictly by his willingness to stand behind the Government's war policy and his pledge to back to the hilt every measure needed to smash Hitler in 1942.

Every other approach will be judged as dangerous trifling with the country safety.



The Unions and The War

By William Z. Foster

This country can do its full share in smashing the Axis only upon the basis of a strong and vigorous wartime democracy. To help build and maintain this democracy is a fundamental war task of the trade unions, one which they may neglect only at their peril.



WM. Z. FOSTER

To conduct total war effectively against Hitlerism it is imperative that the Government set up, as it is doing, a whole series of strongly centralized wartime controls. Among these are, conscription for the armed forces, general registration of man-power, rationing of everyday necessities, priorities in industry, the compulsory conversion of plants to war purposes, the seizure of incompetently operated plants, the establishment of industrial "czars," price control, restrictions upon the press to guard military secrets, the imposition of vast financial burdens, etc., etc. Such necessary centralizing measures need not, however, be anti-democratic in their effects; whether or not they are dependent upon the way they are administered.

Powerful reactionary forces—in the Government, in industry, in public life generally—are seeking to take advantage of the war situation by attacking American democracy fundamentally. Their spokesmen argued before the war that if we fought Hitler we must become a fascist country ourselves, and they are trying to make this lying statement come true. They are especially attacking the trade unions, trying to abolish their right to strike, to organize and to function in behalf of the workers; they are assailing such vital social legislation as the Wagner Act, and the Wages and Hours Act; they are vilifying and persecuting the Negroes and the foreign-born. They hope, by thus undermining democracy, to sabotage the war and to move towards fascism in this country.

This makes it necessary for organized labor, in conjunction with other popular forces, to use actively its vast influence for the preservation and strengthening of American democracy in these crucial war times. Firstly, there is the whole group of tasks connected with making the new wartime Government controls work democratically. The unions must help arrange so that press restrictions are directed only against defeatists and betrayers of military secrets and that the right of constructive criticism is maintained; that the price control regulations are carried out vigorously and without fear or favor; that labor's right of collective bargaining is carefully guarded; that the rationing of necessities is fairly administered; that the distribution of manpower within the industries is democratically regulated; that the tax burden

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and the sale of war bonds are justly distributed; that no social legislation is sacrificed to the defeatists; that the economic standards of the workers are protected so as to insure our nation's health and war efficiency.

Then there are the vital tasks indispensable for directly combatting the fifth column, the defeatists and the appeasers; including the liquidation of the Christian Front, Ku Klux Klan and other definitely fascist, war-sabotaging movements; the jailing of such pro-fascist elements as Coughlin, Smith, Deatherage and Dennis; the impeachment of Martin Dies and the liquidation of his fake committee; the political defeat of such reactionary figures as Reynolds, Nye, Byrd, Wheeler, Hoffman, Vinson, Cox, etc.; a careful and thoroughgoing check-up of saboteurs in industry; the cleansing from the radio of such defeatist types as Kallenborn, Boake Carter and Norman Thomas; the complete suppression of the fascist press and the public condemnation of the defeatist Hearst, Patterson, McCormick and Scripps-Howard newspapers; the breaking of the influence of John L. Lewis, W. H. Hutcheson and others of their like in the labor movement; the refusal of responsible war posts to the Linderbergs, Kennedys, Bullitts and others of their stripe.

Finally, there is the whole maze of problems relating to the positive strengthening of our democratic institutions; such as the further building up of the trade unions; the securing of full representation of organized labor in the Cabinet and all war boards, national, state and local; the broadest possible extension of labor-management cooperation in industry; the democratic development of the people's organizations of civilian defense; the infusion of a democratic spirit and regime into all branches of the armed services; the accord of full economic, political and social rights to the Negro people; the elimination of a national disgrace by granting release to the great anti-fascist, Earl Browder; the establishment of trade union unity; the close cooperation of all people's organizations—economic, political, cultural, national, etc.—for the prosecution of the war; the creation of broad network of local committees to organize the great masses of the people for war work.

If this war is to be won and the peace to be a satisfactory one the United States must fight the war on a democratic basis and come out of the war a more democratic country than before. This requires that the labor movement, far more than it has done up to date, must pay close attention to the democratic tasks connected with the war. Hitler can be defeated only by people democratically inspired and organized. Let the United States, and especially its great trade union movement, not be wanting in this vital qualification for winning the war.

(The next article in this series will appear tomorrow.)

Point of Order

By ALAN MAX

Our State Department is now negotiating with Vichy with regard to Martinique and other French Possessions in this hemisphere. But there is only one kind of negotiation that succeeds with Vichy—the kind that was used in the case of Madagascar. It went something like this:

"Monsieur—Bang! Bang!—We are compelled—Bang! Bang!—to negotiate with you—Bang! Bang!—to guarantee that Madagascar will not—Bang! Bang!—fall into the hands—Bang! Bang!—of the Japanese—Bang!—very truly yours—Bang! Bang! BANG!"

A special advantage of the Bang school of diplomacy when dealing with characters like Laval is that you don't have to waste time finding an interpreter.

There are plenty of good fellows who are itching to have it said of them: "He's the guy that put the Martin bomber in Martinique."

A dispatch in the Sunday Times on the coming primaries in this State, spoke of Ham Fish as having been connected with two convicted Nazi agents, George Viereck and Frederick Auhagen. Monday's Times carried an indignant protest from Fish not mentioning a word about Viereck but angrily denying that he had had anything to do with Auhagen. A good campaign slogan for the Fish forces might be: "Elect Fish—never connected with Auhagen—only with Viereck."

Fish's protest to the Times suggests that during the primary campaign we may see a lot of letters in the press along these lines:

"To the Editor: The dispatch in your paper to the effect that I am a warm admirer of Hitler and Goering is a dastardly lie: I don't like Goering. (signed) Fam Hish."

"To the Editor: I see I am quoted in your paper as having expressed the hope that Hitler would win the war. What a misrepresentation! What I said was that I hoped Britain would lose. (signed) Fam Hish."

"To the Editor: Your paper accuses me of saying 'The trouble with the world is that we don't get more people like Hitler.' I indignantly protest this libel upon my grammar. I have witnesses to prove that I said it's too bad we don't have more people like Hitler," and not that we don't 'got more.' (signed) Fam Hish."

"To the Editor: Your article claiming that I have been tied up with Nazi agent George Viereck over many years, is a downright lie. I never even heard of Viereck before I was seven. (signed) Fam Hish."

Nazis Go Hunting For a Partisan Band

By E. L. OZEROV

(By Wireless to Inter-Continental News)

SEVASTOPOL, May 11.—A Nazi punitive detachment sent out to search for Soviet guerrilla fighters near here recently found the partisans without the slightest trouble—in fact they walked right into an ambush and were wiped out with hand grenades and sabers.

That episode alone tells the powerful story of the tenacity and shrewdness of Soviet partisans. It tells eloquently also of the desperation of the Nazis in the Crimea.

In the incident above the Nazis were seeking to avenge the wrecking of a supply train. Guerrillas had planted mines on the track. The mines failed to explode under the first part of the train. One, however, went off and blew the last car to bits.

... AND INTO THE FIRE

The Nazis somehow uncoupled the car and the rest of the train moved ahead, full speed. But no sooner had it gained headway than it hit a section of false track laid by partisans and crashed down into a gorge.

The Nazis then sent out the punitive expedition to comb the district. After days of fruitless search the Nazi commander evidently concluded that the partisans had disappeared completely.

Suddenly on a lonely road he was attacked from all sides. First grenades came flying from the underground and then when his men were in a panic mounted partisans came closing in with sabers swinging.

A few Nazis got away from this encounter but immediately ran into another ambush. That was their end.

AID TO RED ARMY

The most significant feature of the present phase of guerrilla fighting is the close cooperation between guerrillas and regular units of the Red Army.

An example comes from the Nazi siege of this city. A stubborn battle was in progress on the approaches of Sevastopol. The Nazis had suffered heavy losses and were known to have sent for reinforcements. The partisans operating in the region were given the task of heading them off.

The partisans took up stations along a narrow gorge on the highway and submarine gunners were stationed to cover the gorge. Men with grenades took up positions atop the slopes of the gorge.

When the Nazi motorized column appeared the machine gunners opened fire to halt the leading vehicle. They had better luck than they expected. The driver of the leading truck got panicky and wrecked it, blocking the whole road.

In the ensuing confusion the partisans along the gorge rained down hand grenades and incendiary bottles, giving the enemy no chance to recover.

KILL 300 NAZIS

Two trucks were blown to bits and the rest set afire. The whole operation lasted about 30 minutes. The Nazi battalion lost more than 300 killed. (A battalion is from 600-800 men.)

This scene has been enacted many times. Frequently a Nazi column finds itself pinned down by fire from the regular Red Army in front, only to be suddenly set upon from the rear and flank by partisans.

One such encounter was described by a Nazi prisoner, Private Rudolf Volkman of the 68th Regiment, 22nd German Infantry Division.

"We frequently did ourselves under fire from before and behind," said Volkman.

"While advancing on Sevastopol our company was heavily shelled from the front by Red Army batteries. The battalion commander ordered remnants of the company to withdraw to the rear and reorganize."

"We had covered only a short distance when we were attacked by partisans. More of my comrades lost their lives from the partisans' grenades. . . .

"A little farther on I came upon the wreckage of ten German trucks. There were 35 dead soldiers and officers nearby. I knew this was also the work of the partisans. . . ."

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CHANGE THE WORLD

A Hubbub Over Detective
Yarns and the Problem
Of Bringing Up Nicky

By MIKE GOLD

Dear Mike Gold:

Your article on detective stories made me angry. It represents your own opinion but had the guise of coming from the pulpit. It is not only a narrow view but opinionated and sectarian. I don't like baseball particularly and crossword puzzles bore me. You like or tolerate both! That doesn't put the stamp of approval on these advertisements. The movies, except for foreign (at present Russian) films, or exceptionally good domestic ones (rare), arouse my wrath not only for their morose content, but for the utter waste of time. Result I rarely go to the movies. But I don't condemn other people's going for relaxation if they like a dull musical.

A mystery can be laid down at will. It is a game! Why not differentiate between a daily diet and reading for relaxation. No one I know has ever been unable to concentrate on work while literature because he or she reads detective fiction. Right now the score is:

1. Bessie's Bread and a Stone
2. Davies' Mission to Moscow
3. Werth's Moscow Diary
4. Buch's Dragon Seed
5. Socialist Medicine in the U.S.S.R. (Sugaw)
6. Hall's Women in the Soviet Union
7. Madame Chiang Kai-shek's speeches and letters—plus a mystery here and there and the New Masses, The Daily, In Fact, Bread and Butter, P.M. The Protestant, Soviet Russia Today—all this constitutes opium merely because of the detective stories that I say let's have more of it.

Looks like you've stirred up a hornet's nest. You'd be surprised at the number of people who will refuse your attack. You're even mistaken about that most useless portion of the bourgeoisie. The ones I know haven't even the patience for a full length novel. They have only the energy for The News or The Mirror and time for lambasting labor. They don't read anything—I! They don't have to. They know (by instinct of course) everything.

And finally what hurts most is your assumption that the detective is the American hero. Nothing could be further from the truth. He's only the magician who pulls out the rabbit from the hat. Now what have you against magicians!

CELIA

What Long Words You Have, Grandma!

Dear Mike:

Your columns on Nicky and Carl are very illuminating, and after they have reached a certain quantity, ought to be collected in an expensive book or booklet form. They show an unusual psycho-analytical insight, though whether consciously or not it isn't easy to make out.

In my own investigations of Marxist psycho-analysis, only a small and non-clinical portion of which has as yet been completed and published, a number of findings have presented themselves, which might be of interest to you.

Of the aggregation of "ego ideals" or dominating inner standards of conduct which develop in childhood, there are two which appear to be cornerstones, although they have hitherto been overlooked. One can be designated as an inner standard of cooperating for the common benefit of all. The other as an inner standard of gaining at the expense of others, or predatory competition or exploitative aggression. Mental health naturally lies in the direction of the strong development of the former, and the absence or liquidation of the latter, and every means should therefore be undertaken to make plain to children not merely the theoretical, but the real advantages of these two trends: development of the one standard, liquidation of the other.

Another process which has hitherto been overlooked is the introjection or mental internalization, not merely of individuals, as "good" or "bad" objects of influence, but also of the masses. From introjection of the masses, there results an emotional subordination of one's own interests to those of humanity as a whole, which corresponds to the long-range communality of interests which actually exists between the individual and the whole of humanity. The facility for introjection of the masses as "good" objects is a necessary stage in the healthiest emotional development of the individual, and in it lies the basis for the replacement of the entire Oedipal psychology by a fraternal psychology, as already in the U.S.S.R. Introjection of the masses as "good" objects is moreover powerfully augmentative of the ego ideal of cooperating for the benefit of all, and so again, should be facilitated in children deliberately by every means.

Certain tendencies to appease Carl or Nicky with "exclusive" advantages, instead of cooperative ones, would thus, by the way, have been a mistake, and the possible cause of the breakdown of the adjustment of each of them in turn.

Of course I would be greatly interested to learn of any difficulties or results in trying to apply these principles.

Sincerely,
BURRILL FREEDMAN.

Walter Garland on Labor's Newsroom, WHOM, 9:45

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Postal Employees Seek Increase in Salary, WMCA 4 P. M. . . . Program from Service Recreation Center, WNYC 8 P. M. . . . Harvard President, James Bryant Conant, discusses Education, WMCA, 9:30 P. M. . . . Walter Garland, negro Communist leader, on "A Mixed Regiment," DAILY WORKER NEWSCAST, WHOM 9:45 P. M. Bob Hope Program, WEAF 10 P. M.

- MORNING**
- 8:00-WABC-The World Today
 - 8:15-WNYC-Want Ad Column of the Air
 - 8:30-WNYC-Consumer's Guide
 - 8:45-WABC-Women's Page of the Air
 - 9:00-WNYC-Masterwork Hour
 - 9:15-WABC-Composers Hour
 - 9:30-WNYC-Woman of Tomorrow
 - 9:45-WABC-Reading of the Scarlet Letter
 - 10:00-WNYC-Food Forum
 - 10:15-WNYC-Travel Hour
 - 10:30-WABC-Column of the Air, Lisa Sergio
 - 10:45-WNYC-Pure Food Hour
 - 11:00-WABC-Women's Program
 - 11:15-WNYC-Other People's Business
 - 11:30-WABC-News
 - 11:45-WNYC-Page of Melody
 - 12:00-WNYC-Heavy Duty Talks for Women
 - 12:15-WNYC-Health Forum
 - 12:30-WNYC-You and Your Health
 - 12:45-WNYC-News at Noon
 - 1:00-WNYC-Music at War
 - 1:15-WABC-Kate Smith Speaks
 - 1:30-WNYC-Lunchtime Concerts
 - 1:45-WABC-National Farm and Home Hour
 - 2:00-WNYC-News
 - 2:15-WABC-Mary Margaret McBride, Talks for Women
 - 2:30-WNYC-Lunchtime Symphony
 - 2:45-WNYC-Dance Music
 - 3:00-WNYC-Town Hall Club Luncheon
 - 3:15-WNYC-Metropolitan Review, Ralph Barton
 - 3:30-WNYC-Martha Dean Talks for Women
 - 3:45-WNYC-Symphonic Matinee
 - 4:00-WNYC-Readers and Writers, Edwin Beaver
 - 4:15-WNYC-Warmup Time
 - 4:30-WNYC-Doggett vs. Cincinnati Reds
 - 4:45-WNYC-Oleksi vs. Pittsburgh Pirates
 - 5:00-WNYC-Present Fiancée
 - 5:15-WNYC-War Request Program
 - 5:30-WNYC-Ellen Farrell, Song Recital
 - 5:45-WNYC-Deeds and Stories of Men of the Era
 - 6:00-WNYC-Civilian Defense News of the Era
 - 6:15-WNYC-Postal Employees Need Increase in Salaries
 - 6:30-WNYC-Street Singer
 - 6:45-WNYC-Mid-afternoon Concert
 - 7:00-WNYC-Board of Education Program
 - 7:15-WNYC-News
 - 7:30-WNYC-The Face of the War
 - 7:45-WNYC-Bay 11th Music
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THE LOW DOWN

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When Coach Bob Porter left Memphis Central High School last winter to join the Navy, 19-year-old Lewie Polk, Jr., a senior, took over the track team.

Of a squad of 32 that reported for practice, only four had ever competed in track events. Even Lewie had never been on a track team in his life.

But that didn't stop these determined kids. They swept through meet after meet and today Lewie's boys are state track champs, having won the title Saturday.

'TIS A HABIT

For the 22nd time in recognized competition, Cornelius Warmerdam, the California school teacher, pole vaulted more than 15 feet Saturday at Memphis, Tenn.

Corny, who holds the world's record for the vault, cleared the bar at 15 feet 1 1/2 inches on his second try.

To get an idea of what that means, it should be noted that no other man in track history has ever done 15 feet. The previous record was set by Earl Meadows who did 14 feet 7 1/2 inches.

A GUY NAMED JOE

The voice identified only as that of Joe which sent greetings to all the mothers of U. S. soldiers Sunday in a nation-wide broadcast, was that of Pvt. Joe Louis Barrow, the heavyweight champion of the world.

CHAMPIONS ALL

The Yankees put that certain championship touch on everything they do. Not only are the Yanks in first place, but so are three of their leading farm teams.

Newark is on top of the International League (but then again, when aren't they?), Kansas City heads the American Association, and Hartford is in first place in the Eastern League.

4 for 4! Or not bad at all.

OLD STUFF

Young Jimmy Carolla, Golden Gloves heavy champ made his pro debut the other night and is being given the same old dose of the phony buildup that poor Primo Carnera made famous.

Jimmy knocked out Al Foreman in a minute and a half of the first round. We don't know who Jimmy's owners think they are fooling by these one round kayos. Actually if Jimmy is to get any place in the tough racket he'll have to get there without the aid of these setups.

Local Boy Makes Bad

Ken Heintzelman, young Pirates' outfielder and first National League ace to record his second shutout of the year, is so far ahead of last year's record of progress that they're calling him the Ace of the Year by the banks of the Monongahela.

He had 2 shutouts all last season, the second dated Sept. 23, St. Louis was the victim. And it's a streak!

"Gannon-bell Ken's" 2 shutouts this April were both over the Cardinals, April 18 and 26, giving him a string of 3 straight shutout victories in 3 successive starts against the Red Birds. The irony being that Ken's a Missouri boy, from rural Peruque, just slightly up-town, some 20 miles from Sportsman's Park!

Hugh East Farmed

Pitcher Hugh East has been farmed out to the Jersey City club of the International League by the parent New York Giants, it was announced today.

East had made only three appearances on the mound for the Giants this year, once as a starter when he was knocked from the box, and twice in relief roles. He was charged with two losses.

THE 20TH JUBILEE

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MORNING FREIHEIT

Is Postponed

From May 16th to June 15th
MADISON SQUARE GARDEN

ALL TICKETS OF MAY 16th
WILL BE GOOD FOR
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THEY NEED NOT
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SPORTS

NEW YORK, TUESDAY, MAY 12, 1942

Army-Major League Tilts Listed

Numerous games are being scheduled with the U. S. service teams by the majors. Where admittance is charged, the proceeds go to what-ever fund the Army or Navy outfits designate, while a number of the contests are limited to the personnel of the camps or stations. Arrangements have not been completed for all the contests contemplated, but the following already have been booked:

June 9—Philadelphia Phils vs. Great Lakes Naval Training Station team at Great Lakes, Ill.

June 20—Boston Red Sox vs. Great Lakes Naval Training Station team at Great Lakes, Ill.

July 2—Philadelphia Phils vs. Fort Dix Army team at Fort Dix, N. J.

July 7—Philadelphia Athletics vs. Fort Dix Army team at Fort Dix, N. J.

July 13—New York Giants vs. Great Lakes Naval Training Station team at Great Lakes, Ill.

July 25—Philadelphia Athletics vs. Great Lakes Naval Training Station team at Great Lakes, Ill.

August 3—Detroit Tigers vs. Great Lakes Naval Training Station team at Great Lakes, Ill.

August 8—Cleveland Indians vs. Great Lakes Naval Training Station team at Great Lakes, Ill. (Free game no civilians admitted).

August 19—St. Louis Cardinals vs. Great Lakes Naval Training Station team at Great Lakes, Ill.

August 24—New York Yankees vs. Fort Dix Army team at Fort Dix, N. J.

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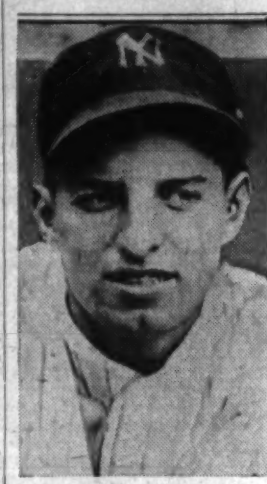
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Yanks Squash Loose Guesswork on Henrich



TOMMY HENRICH

H'ya Pop!

PITTSBURGH, May 11 (UP).—The heavyweight boxing career of Private Billy Conn, leading contender for the world's heavyweight title, was believed endangered today as a result of a broken left hand suffered in a fight at the home of his father-in-law.

The battle occurred at the home of James L. (Greenfield) Jimmy Smith, father of Conn's wife, the former Mary Lou Smith, following the christening of the Conn's baby boy, born last April 12.

The proposed return heavyweight title battle between Joe Louis and Billy Conn probably will be postponed from June until September, promoter Mike Jacobs said today.

Jacobs emphasized that Conn and Louis, both privates in the Army, have not been matched for a June fight yet, since the proposed bout still is awaiting Army approval.

The injury, according to Conn, was suffered when he struck back in self-defense against his father-in-law yesterday afternoon when Smith attacked him in an apparent renewal of bad feelings which arose when Conn married Mary Lou despite objections of her father.

"My father-in-law swung on me and attacked me in the face," Conn said. "I hit him on the top of the head—and it was then that I broke my hand."

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By Scorer

Stories that Tommy Henrich, Yankee outfielder, would not be called in the draft despite the fact that he is in 1-A were vigorously denied yesterday by William Hennigan, Yankee public relations representative who said that Tommy would probably be called soon. "And every other man on

the draft board at Cleveland, Tommy's home town. The Yankee management has had no contact with the draft boards of members of the team, and will not have any. That's the business of the government and the players themselves, all of whom are ready to go whenever their services are demanded by the government."

It was also pointed out that the Yankees must get within the 35-player limit by May 15, and that they are very well fortified in the outfield with George Selkirk and Tuck Statton, both of whom will be retained for the season.

The champions left town last night for their western trip, which begins with a two-game series in Cleveland this afternoon. It is likely that Henrich will check on his draft status while in the lake city.

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Yanks, Also Pulling Away Smoothly, Start Trip in Cleveland

Skidding Giants Try to Brace Against Second Place Pirates as West Comes East in National

By Lester Rodney

The Brooklyn Dodgers (and New York Giants) are at home to the Western clubs beginning today, while the Yanks confidently roll West for their first swing around the circuit.

The Dodgers begin with the slightly rejuvenated Reds, who took a lot of the sting out of the St. Louis Cards with a double whitewashing on Sunday. The Giants are in a position to do the Dodgers some good by beating the second place Pirates at the Polo Grounds. And the Yanks are out to do themselves a lot of good by beating the second place Indians in Cleveland.

The Yanks and Dodgers are out in front with identical records of 17 and 7 and a couple of games lead over their nearest competitor. In each league the team expected to furnish the toughest time of it has had trouble getting started—the Red Sox in the American and Cards in the National.

As we've maintained from the start, there is a strong likelihood of both camps repeating with greater ease than last year. The blossoming of young Ed Head into a winning pitcher has given the Brooklyn staff the body it needed beyond Wyatt and Higbe. While, incidentally, showed signs of returning to his 23 game winning form in his last outing against the Giants Friday. He was off in his control, usually his strong point, and tired late in the game, but had lots of stuff. With one more such game under his belt he should be ready to step. He was a little too old to get along from the start without spring training.

The Reds, who lack any semblance of real punch, will be tough for any team to beat from here in, and that includes the Dodgers today. The return to form of Bucky Walters, coupled with the good hurling of Ray Starr, has the pitching staff in shape for the first time. But the McKeehlmen are through as a pennant threat. At their best pennant winning years they didn't have the power of this edition of the Dodgers.

Unless there is a drastic upturn somewhere along the line, and none appears in prospect on the basis of personnel handy, the Giants are doomed to flounder around in the second division all year long. The load of 230 hitting veterans is too much to carry along with the mediocre pitching. Which is too bad for Mel Ott in his debut year as manager. He has the boys hustling but they haven't got enough to hustle with. A couple of hard-hitting Negro ballplayers would make a big difference up in the 155th St. ballyard. In attendance as well as league standing.

The Cleveland Indians, despite their recent six game losing streak, are only two games behind the lead and are apt to give the Yanks a little more trouble at home than they did at the Stadium. The manner of breaking out of the losing streak Sunday was hopeful of better things for Lou Boudreau's charges. The Indians had lost the first game of the doubleheader with the Tigers for their sixth straight loss and were trailing apparently hopelessly 5-0 going into the last half of the ninth in the nightcap. They won in the tenth 6-5.

But the Yanks are it in the American League. They're the surest thing since the Louis-Dorazio fight. With the big guns still not barking and the team only hitting .257, fifth in the league, they have still been all-around good enough to move ahead relentlessly. And at the bat, maybe Gordon and Dickie will taper off that terrific hitting.

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